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VIA EMAIL

Re: FOIA Request FY2019-066 Production 2 (Final Production)

Dear Ms. Corey:

This letter is the second and final production response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, request that you sent to the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ). You have sought the following:

All agency records regarding the Presidential Committee on Climate Security (PCCS), including but not limited to, agency records regarding the Deputies Committee Meeting on the Presidential Committee on Climate Security which took place on February 22, 2018 including but not limited to meeting minutes, correspondence and memos prepared in preparation for this meeting, and contemporaneous notes. Relevant materials posted by the National Geographic Society are provided here for reference >https://www.slideshare.net/Revkin/the-plan-for-a-trump-committee-on-climate-and-security<, and need not be included in the production.

All communications between Mary Neumayr, Chair of the Council on Environmental Quality and William Happer, Patrick Moore, or any other member or representative of the CO2 Coalition. To assist with your search for responsive records, one email address used by William Happer is Happer@princeton.edu

CEQ has completed its search for responsive records. For this second and final production, CEQ processed all paper records and identified 155 pages of documents responsive to your request, enclosed. We have determined that exemptions be applied in 119 redaction instance pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5). The information redacted under Exemption 5 comprises materials protected under the deliberative process privilege and the presidential communications privilege. Specifically, CEQ redacted information prepared for and presented to the President of the United States, and deliberative notes.

This release constitutes a denial in part. Release of this information does not foreclose CEQ from claiming an exemption or privilege with regard to any similar documents in response to a subsequent FOIA request.

We expect that you are satisfied with the action on this request. You may challenge the adequacy of the search by submitting a written appeal within ninety (90) calendar days to efoia@ceq.eop.gov. Appeals may also be sent via facsimile to (202) 456-0753 or via U.S. postal mail addressed to: FOIA Appeals Officer, Council on Environmental Quality, Executive Office of the President, 730 Jackson Place NW, Washington, D.C. 20503.

You may obtain additional information by contacting me by email or telephone. Also, you have a right to seek assistance or dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). Their webpage is https://ogis.archives.gov/ and their phone number is (202) 741-5770.

Sincerely,

Howard Sun Attorney Advisor FOIA Public Liaison

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